

days or at any other times, the said board or the said sheriff shall apply in writing or by telegraph to the commander-in-chief, setting forth particularly the necessity for such aid, and if the emergency requires, the said board or the said sheriff may, without waiting for a reply from the commander-in-chief, forthwith apply in writing or by telegraph to the commanding officer of the military or naval organization most accessible, and all commanding officers in such cases, whether ordered out by the commander-in-chief or applied to as aforesaid by the said board or the said sheriff, shall forthwith assemble their command and take such action as the exigencies of the case may require to prevent the threatened disorder or opposition to the laws, or to suppress the riot or disorder.

As to riots, see art. 82.

1908, ch. 103, sec. 58.

57. For all purposes under this article officers and enlisted men of the active militia who entered the United States service in the Spanish-American war shall, on entering the active militia, be entitled to credit for time served in the forces in the United States in that war if this service had been rendered in the active militia.

1908, ch. 103, sec. 59.

58. The officers commanding the brigade and naval brigade may cause those under their command to perform any military duty, and shall be responsible to the governor for the general efficiency of the National Guard and for the drill, instruction, inspection, small arms and artillery practice, movements, operations and care of troops. Commanding officers of organizations shall be responsible to their immediate commanders for the equipment, drill, instruction movements and efficiency of their respective commands. All commanding officers and enlisted men shall be responsible to their immediate commanding officer for prompt and unhesitating obedience, proper drill and the preservation and proper use of the property of the State and of the United States or organization in their possession. The brigade and naval brigade shall be inspected not less than once a year, and oftener, in the discretion of the commander-in-chief.

1908, ch. 103, sec. 60.

59. Officers and enlisted men of each troop, battery, company and division shall assemble for and undergo drill and instruction at their respective armories or rendezvous, or for target practice, not less than twenty-four times during each calendar year preceding the annual allotment of funds under section 1661, Revised Statutes of the United States as amended. During the same period there shall be at least one inspection of each troop, battery, company and division by an officer of the National Guard or by an officer of the regular army or navy of the United States, at such times as the governor may direct. In addition to such drills and parades the commanding officer (with permis-